

MOTHERS AND BABIES TRAPPED IN BLAZING HOUSE ARE RESCUED

Firemen Fight Choking Fumes to Save Victims and Many People in the House Are Overcome—Last Unconscious Tenant Found Near Death.

A force of reserves from the Bedford avenue station, Williamsburg, and the members of five fire companies did heroic service today in rescuing a score of smoke-victims from a burning tenement at No. 136 Bedford avenue. After the rescue was complete a squad of surgeons from the Eastern District and Williamsburg hospitals had to work over the senseless women and children for several hours, and finally succeeded in bringing them all around.

The blaze was started by the overturning of a caldron of cruller grease in the back shop of Charles Pickelman in the basement. The fire spread to the grease party on the stove and partly on the floor, distributing rivulets of flame across the floor and spreading to other grease-filled vessels.

The smoke that rose from this flame was rank and stifling. It poured up through the hallways in dense billows, finding its way into every apartment in the big five-story double-deck tenement. Of the sixteen families in the building more than half were overcome by the smoke.

As it happened there were several sailors in the shop when the flames leaped up from the overturned pot, and an alarm was quickly turned in. Upon the arrival of the fire apparatus and the rescuers there was a straggling procession of dazed tenants groping their way down the fire-escapes and screaming for aid. Ladders were raised to the escapes and to the front windows of the building and those who had escaped the overwhelming smoke fumes were carried down.

Three Found Senseless.

Then the cry went round that only half the tenants were out, and Chief Howe led a half dozen of his men and a squad of policemen up through the smoke-choked hallways and began a systematic, flat by flat search. On the

first floor he found Mrs. Polly Clark and her two little girls senseless on the floor. They were passed out the window to the smoke-eaters who manned the ladders.

All the tenants on the second floor had been roused in time to get out, but on the third floor every sleeping man, woman and child had been overcome. Mr. and Mrs. John Kim and their two babies were found unconscious in bed and had to be carried to the fire escapes. Mrs. Julia Himmeler and her nine-month-old infant had reached the fire escape, where she had swooned with the baby in her arms. She had not been trampled on, as those on the floor above were not overcome found ready exit by the roof.

Mrs. Lena Appenro and her two children were overwhelmed by smoke in their apartment on the third floor and taken down the ladders by policemen. Mrs. Maggie Wogan and her four children, in groping down the stairway from the fourth floor, got scattered in the building smoke and toppled over in the hallway. When they were found the ladders and fire-escapes were choked by the rescue parties and those they had saved, so Chief Howe and two of his men carried them up to the roof and passed them down through an adjoining house.

This Victim Resuscitated. After the entire building had been reached and rescued by the firemen and police, a young man in the backshop burned to death. A flood of water had been poured into the place, checking the fire, but adding volume to the smoke. The ladders could not make a climb in this dense veil of choking smoke fumes, and the firemen who went in to search had to grope about on the floor with their feet.

Finally the limp and senseless body of Louis Pickelman was found huddled in a corner. When the smoke-eaters carried him out they were sure he was dead. Two surgeons from the Eastern District Hospital went to work on the young man, however, and brought him to in half an hour. Though a vast quantity of smoke was caused the flames did not spread above the basement floor, and the damage is estimated at less than \$2,000.

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FELL DEAD AS HE WAS TYING HIS SHOELACE

Frederick Walter Killed by Rush of Blood Due to Stopping.

As he finished tying his shoe lace Frederick Walter, one of Manhattan's best known German-American citizens, was yesterday seized by a sudden rush of blood to the head, which caused a blood vessel to burst. He reeled and fell to the floor dead. The fatality occurred at his residence, No. 215 East Seventy-second street, in the room next to that of his wife, who was in a sick bed.

Dr. Windling, the family physician, was hastily summoned, and after an examination he said that Mr. Walter had probably died without pain. Mr. Walter, his wife said, had never been sick during the last twenty years, and except for a complaint last week that

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Affected by Friend's Death.

Mr. Walter was a member of the Democratic Club, vice-president of the Delaware Club and a member of the Tammany Hall General Committee. He was intimate with Carl Seitz, Richard Croker, Charles F. Murphy and a close friend of "Tom" Dunn, the Tammany leader of his district, who also died recently.

At the Delaware Club it was said that Walter and Dunn met for the last time in the Democratic Club, and that the memory of that meeting an affected Walter. He was fifty-five years old and among his business interests were President of the Ferguson Heater Company, a managing director of the Farmers' Feed Company, an officer in other food companies and corporations. He leaves a widow and no children.

The Delaware Club will attend the funeral services to be held at his residence, and several German societies will be present in a body. The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at 1:30, and interment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

HOUSES SOLD AS JUNK.

The city began selling the old buildings near the Brooklyn Bridge entrance in Manhattan to-day to make way for the temporary terminal it has been decided to construct. The property to be taken for this site lies between North William street, Park Row, Tryon Row, Centre street, Duane street and City Hall place.

Four blocks of buildings are to be sold.

The sale began at No. 12 Centre street, an old four-story brick building, running half way back to Park Row. For old material it seemed to be worth \$400, which was what D. Davis, of No. 4 Sheriff avenue, Brooklyn, paid for it.

The auctioneer next sold the four old buildings at Nos. 8, 10, 12 and 14 Chambers street. Davis bought these for \$200. The buildings Nos. 10, 12 and 14 Chambers street were sold to Davis for \$200.

No. 36 Park Row, an old two-story building, went to Davis for \$110. He bought Nos. 30, 32 and 34 for \$175; Nos. 32, 34 and 36 for \$175. The buildings Nos. 30, 32 and 34 were sold to Davis for \$175. The buildings Nos. 32, 34 and 36 were sold to Davis for \$175.

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